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on the cover...

Turner Gill (12) spins one way and gives the ball to Mark Schellen, who goes the other direction on the Husker dive play up the middle.

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Big Plays Add Up To 34-13 Win

COLUMBIA, MO. — As the Husker coaches had anticipated, Missouri played Nebraska Tiger-tough and nearly dead-even statistically, but a big-play offense and a big-play defense pulled the national leaders to a 34-13 victory, No. 7 for the season.

Nebraska trailed in yardage through three quarters and finished with a mere 405-394 edge with a pair of take-charge touchdown drives in the last quarter.

The stars starred — Mike Rozier toted the ball 24 times for 159 yards and touchdowns of 60 and 90 yards; Turner Gill completed 14 of 18 passes for 151 yards and two touchdowns; Irving Fryar, playing with the flu, caught seven passes for 95 yards, including the touchdowns of 34 and four yards from Gill — but the defensive come-through was equally important.

Nebraska battled horrid field position early because of penalties, and Mizzou jumped on top with a short drive and quarterback Marlon Adler's six-yard run. Nebraska countered with Gill's floater down the middle for a Fryar touchdown, but the PAT was missed. The Tigers added a field goal before Mark Schellen broke loose on a 20-yard touchdown trap, when Gill beat a blitz with an audible, and Rozier broke off the left side for a 60-yard bolt.

The defense rose up for the first time when Mizzou was rallying against the clock at the end of the half, reaching the NU 7. Mike Keeler broke through to sack Adler and force a final-second field goal.

Mizzou was broken on crucial defensive stops on the first two Tiger series in the third quarter. On fourth-and-one from the Husker nine, end Billy Weber and friends stopped fullback Eric Drain for no gain. Missouri then moved to the Nebraska 1 on a 45-yard completion and a pass interference call in the end zone. Adler bobbled the center snap, en route to an apparent tying score, and Keeler claimed it on the three.

Nebraska completed the turnaround with a 97-yard, 17-play drive that consumed 6:17. Rozier's final touchdown sweep and a pair of interceptions put it away.

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First downs rushing	10	12
First down passing	9	9
First downs penalty	1	2
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	20	23
Attempts rushing	48	52
Yards gained rushing	264	224
Yards lost rushing	10	38
NET YARDS RUSHING	254	186
Passes attempted	19	21
Passes completed	14	15
Passes had intercepted	0	2
NET YARDS PASSING	151	208
Total plays	67	73
TOTAL YARDAGE	405	394
Interception return yds	26	0
Punts-Yards	5-203	4-149
Punting average	40.6	37.3
Punts blocked	0	0
Punt returns-Yards	2-18	4-2
Kickoff returns-Yards	3-37	6-110
Penalties-Yards	7-48	3-35
Fumbles-Fumbles lost	3-0	2-1

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS Rushing

NU - Rozier 24 carries for 159 yards, 2 TDs. 60 yard long carry; Schellen 10 for 46. 1, 20; Mason 4 for 16, 0, 7; Gill 6 for 12, 0, 9; Fryar 2 for 10, 0, 8; Smith 2 for 1, 0, 1.

MU - Drain 18 carries for 71 yards, 0 TD: 18 yard long carry; Floyd 3 for 44, 0, 29; Adler 18 for 29, 1, 13; Barbosa 6 for 18, 0, 7; Seitz 2 for 14, 0, 15; Riley 5 for 10, 0, 9.

PASSING

NU — Gill 18 attempts, 14 completions for 151 yards, O Int., 2 TD, 38 yard long pass. MU - Adler 17 attempts, 12 completions for 179 yards, 2 Int., 0 TD, 45 yard long pass.

RECEIVING

NU - Fryar 7 receptions for 95 yards, 2 TD, 38 yard long gain; Simmons 2 for 19, 0, 11; Rozier 2 for 13, 0, 10; Swanson 1 for 13. O. 13: Frain 1 for 13. O. 13: Schellen 1 for -2. 0. -.

MU - White 5 receptions for 93 yards, 0 TD, 45 yard long gain; Shorthose 3 for 36, 0. 22: Hill 2 for 22, 0, 16: Thomas 2 for 22, 0, 16: Floyd 1 for 20, 0, 20: Krahl 1 for 13, 0, 13: Barbosa 1 for 2, 0, 2,

PUNTING

NU - Livingston 5 punts for 203 yards. 40.6 average, 54 yard long punt.

MU - Adler 4 punts for 149 yards, 37.3 average, 41 yard long punt.

ALL RETURNS

NU - Fryar 1 punt return for 5 yards: Smith I punt return for 13 yards; I kickoff return for 15 yards; Frain 1 kickoff return for 11 yards; Rozier 1 kickoff return for 11 yards; Burke 1 interception return for 26 yards: Fischer 1 interception return for 0.

MU - Shorthose 4 punt returns for 2 yards; Riley 3 kickoff returns for 67 yards; Floyd 2 kickoff returns for 33 yards: Krahl 1 kickoff return for 10 yards.

DEFENSIVE

NU - Knox 4 unassisted, 13 assists for 17 tackles: Daum 4-11 for 15: McCashland 3-5 for 8: Clark 2-1 for 3: Harris 4-4 for 8: Burke 2-6 for 8: Keeler 1-4 for 5: Tranmer 1-4 for 5: Stuckey 2-4 for 6; Ridder 3-4 for 7; Strasburger 2.3 for 5: Skow 0-2 for 2: Muehling 2-0 for 2; Herrmann 1-1 for 2; Graeber 2-2 for 4: Greene 0-1 for 1: Daffer 1-0 for 1: Praeuner 1-0 for 1: Steinkuhler 0-1 for 1: Raridon 0-1 for 1: Swanson 1-0 for 1: Proffitt O-1 for 1.

MU - Wilson 5 unassisted. 14 assists for 19 tackles: Mack 3-13 for 16: Hawkins 1-9 for 10: Caver 3-3 for 6: Sales 2-4 for 6: Bell 4-2 for 6: Runvan O-4 for 4: Frazier O-1 for 1: Matichak 3-3 for 6: Smith 0-1 for 1: Troy 0-1 for 1; Snowden 1-2 for 3; Leshe 1-2 for 3; Staples 0-2 for 2; Curry 1-2 for 3; Morgan 0-1 for 1: Burns 2-3 for 5: Scott 0-3 for 3: Burditt 1-0 for 1: McBride 1-0 for 1: Vestweber 0-1 for 1: Close 1-0 for 1: Goode 0-1 for 1.

Coach Osborne's Evaluation



I think probably we're more vulnerable from a psychological, mental-readiness standpoint than at any time this year.' Tom Osborne.

After passing difficult road tests at Oklahoma State and Missouri, Tom Osborne said, "I'm glad to get these last two games behind us. Both Oklahoma State and Missouri are good football teams, and to play them on the road is always difficult."

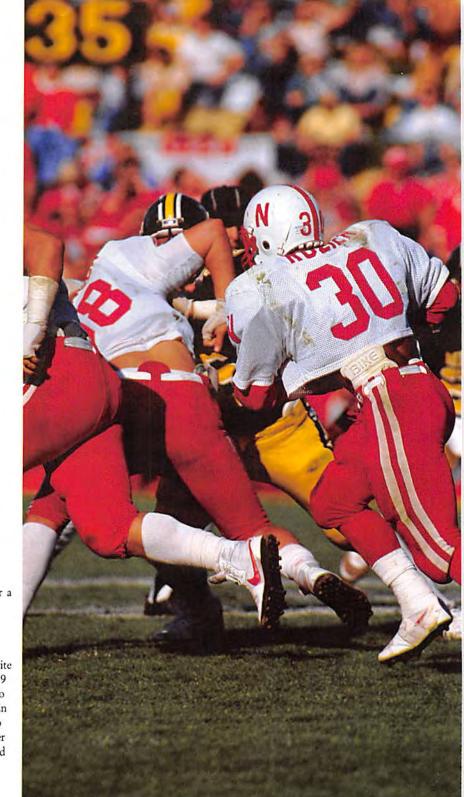
Which brings the Huskers back home Saturday to meet 2-4 Colorado.

"I think probably we're more vulnerable from a psychological, mental-readiness standpoint than at any time this year. We've had two really tough games, and we're playing an opponent that has not been doing particularly well lately.

"It would be very easy to go out there and go through the motions in practice this week and not play well. But the thing these guys (Huskers) have to realize is that if they really want to be the so-called No. 1 team in the nation, then they can't afford to do that. They can't afford a poor performance.

"From what I've seen of Colorado, they just really drop back and throw a lot. They have a big, tall quarterback (Steve Vogel). They'll undoubtedly try to run some draws and screens to go with that. They use quite a few formations and try to spread you all over the field.

"Missouri knocked them around pretty good when Colorado was on defense, but I unders-



Mike Rozier (30) looks for a crease in the Missouri defense. The Heisman Frophy favorite ushed for 159 yards and two ouchdowns in he contest to sush him over he 1,000 yard nark for the eason.

tand Colorado had a lot of players hurt. I don't know what the physical state of their squad is. They played Iowa State a pretty tough game, and Iowa State evidently isn't all that bad, having beat Kansas. So I'm sure they (Buffs) are a competitive football team.

"There have been some positive features, but both of these games (Oklahoma State and Missouri) have shown that it's not quite like Doug Looney (Sports Illustrated) said. We haven't lapped the field. It isn't like we have all the good football players in America and nobody else has any.

"I'll tell you, Missouri has a pretty good football team. I was really impressed with a lot of their athletes. Both Oklahoma State and Missouri are good enough to go the rest of the way unbeaten if they really play well," he said.

The Missouri game was "in some ways closer than the score indicated. The positive factors were that just about every time we had a chance to score, we did, which is a credit to our offense. And there were several times when Missouri had a chance to score, and they didn't, which was some credit to our defense.

"They did kick a couple of field goals and score one touchdown, but we turned them back with field goal or nothing on three or four occasions. Of course, the one fumble at our 1-yard line was a big play because that probably would have tied the game up.

"The other factor that was kind of significant was that they had three turnovers and we had none. So that's quite an improvement over the week before.

"It was a very hard-hitting game. Our defense was pretty good in terms of points allowed, but at times we let them move on us and control the ball. Offensively, we were a little sporadic at times the first quarter, and a lot of that was due to (poor) field position.

"Overall, though, we hung in there and played pretty consistent football. I was pleased with the poise the players showed, and with their effort.

"The kicking game was reasonably good. The kickoff coverage was not good. We're going to have to take a look at that. And our kickoffs weren't good," he said.

Scott Livingston took over on PATs after

Dave Schneider missed following the first touchdown, and Livingston will get first call against Colorado. "But we're not giving up on Dave. He's a good kicker. The reason we changed as quickly as we did was because Dave was having a little touble in warmups. If he'd had good warmups, we might have felt a little differently about it," Osborne said.

Missouri tried a variety of blitzes early, "but we hurt 'em. They won a few times, but we hurt them enough that it really slowed them down and they didn't make a steady diet of it like Oklahoma State did. I thought Turner did a real nice job of changing the plays, and we worked awfully hard on it. So we came out of it generally on the plus side against their blitzes," he said.

Mike Rozier enhanced his Heisman Trophy chances with 24 carries for 159 yards and two touchdowns on national television against the Tigers, and Osborne said, "I haven't seen everybody around the country, but I don't suspect there's anybody better. Mike's a great competitor. He finds a way to get it done, and it takes an awful lot to keep him out of there in the way of injury or whatever.

"Once he gets cranked up and ready to play he really plays. He's really just a very complete football player."

1983 Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Score
Aug. 29	Penn State (at E. Rutherford)	44-6
	Wyoming at Lincoln	56-20
Sept. 17	at Minnesota	84-13
Sept. 24	UCLA at Lincoln	42-10
Oct. 1	Syracuse at Lincoln	63-7
Oct. 8	at Oklahoma State	14-10
Oct. 15	at Missouri	34-13
Oct. 22	Colorado at Lincoln	
Oct. 29	at Kansas State	
Nov. 5	Iowa State at Lincoln	

Nov. 12 Kansas at Lincoln

Nov. 26 at Oklahoma

Scoring Summary

Nebraska 34, Missouri 13

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NU-MU	How They Scored				Time Left
0-7	First Quarter Adler, 6 run (Burditt kick)				4:44
6- 7	Drive: 47 yards in 7 plays Fryar, 38 pass from Gill (kick failed) Drive: 80 yards in 6 plays				2:41
6-10	Second Quarter Burditt, 29 field goal				10:41
13-10	Drive: 66 yards in 11 plays Schellne, 20 run (Livingston kick) Drive: 60 yards in 8 plays				7:06
20-10	Rozier, 60 run (Livingston kick) Drive: 60 yards in 1 play				4:51
20-13	Burditt. 30 field goal Drive: 56 yards in 10 plays				0:01
	Third Quarter No Scoring				
27-13	Fourth Quarter Fryar, 4 pass from Gill (Livingston kie	ck)			12:50
34-13	Drive: 97 yards in 17 plays Rozier, 9 run (Livingston kick)				8:26

Attendance: 72,348

Injury Report

Drive: 44 yards in 10 plays

I-back Mike Rozier (bruised hip), tight end Monte Engebritson (bruised ribs) and defensive tackle Jim Skow (sprained ankle) were scheduled to miss practice time but not enough to miss the Colorado game this week. Middle guard Mike Tranmer may fit into the same category after reinjuring his ankle.

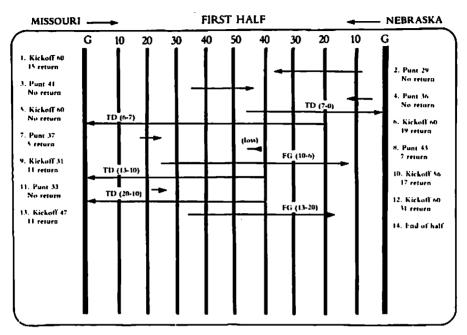
I-back Jeff Smith and monster Mike Mc-Cashland were treated for hip injuries, "but the rest were just normal bruises. We're still playing with little horseshoes," Trainer George

Sullivan said.

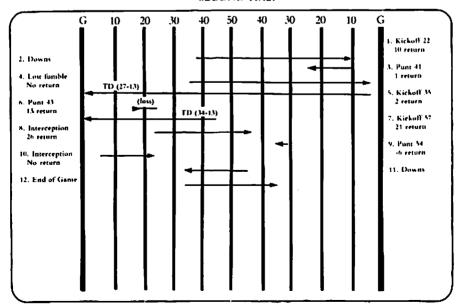
Offensive tackle John Sherlock, who has missed two games with a knee injury, "will be tested with a little jogging this week," and split end Scott Schoettger, who underwent arthroscopic surgery on a knee last week, "definitely will miss the Colorado game, but he may be back for Kansas State," Sullivan said.

Middle guard Kenny Shead, who missed the Mizzou game, may undergo arthroscopic surgery on a knee this week, Sullivan said.

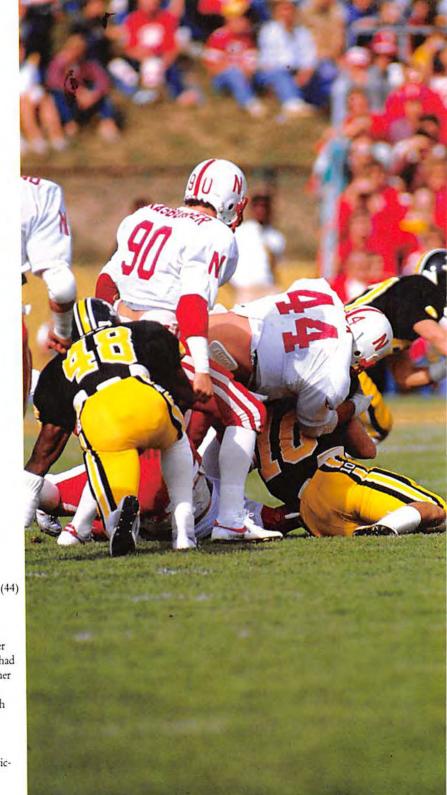
Field Position Chart



SECOND HALF



This field position chart shows how each offense moved the ball on each possession. The numbers and information down the side columns indicate how each possession ended (punt, fumble, interception, kickoff, etc.). If a team loses the ball after a kick (a return for a touchdown or a fumble), no possession will be indicated for the other team.



Mike Knox (44) wrestles
Missouri
quarterback
Marlon Adler
(10). Knox had
another banner
day for the
Huskers with
17 tackles
against the
Tigers in a
34-13 NU victory.

Mike Rozier, I-back — "If everybody else does his job, all I have to do is wait for Dean to knock down that end. That makes it one-on-one for me, and I ought to be able to handle that. When I saw Dean Steinkuhler knock the defensive end down. I knew it was there."

Mike Knox, linebacker — His 17 tackles led the Huskers and were two more than fellow linebacker Mark Daum logged. "We didn't play to our potential, but as long as we keep points off the board...we won the game. Their quarterback is quick and mobile, hard to contain. We bent a little, but when it came down to it, we stuck it to 'em."

George Darlington, defensive ends coach — "Our offense did an exceptionally good job. The guys who were supposed to be great players played like great players. We were disappointed that Missouri controlled the ball at times, but they have an exceptional offensive line and a quick, agile quarterback.

"The turning point came when we got the fumble at our 1 (when Mizzou was apparently going in for a 20-20 tie in the third quarter). That turned into a 14-point swing because the offense did a fabulous job of going down and scoring from there."

Mark Schellen, fullback — His 20-yard touchdown run on a trap play gave Nebraska its first lead, 13-10 in the second quarter. "They were blitzing us early, but they blitzed right into the trap and overran the play. The touchdown was audibled by Turner (quarter-back Gill.)

"We usually audible to a pitch play, but today, he audibled to the trap a couple of times when they were blitzing. That's what makes Turner so special. He knows the defenses. It kept working until they quit blitzing the second half." Mike Keeler, defensive tackle — He turned a touchdown threat into a field goal with a quarterback sack at the end of the half and claimed a fumble to stymic another threat at the Husker 1 in the third quarter. "Every game can make or break your season, especially when you're No. 1. I knew it would be tough, playing Missouri here would be tough.

"Missouri had real wide line splits, and I'd noticed earlier that when I'd slant into their guard, he had a hard time picking me up because of the splits. On the sack, instead of slanting into the guard like I was supposed to, I just shot the gap.

"I didn't think they'd run because they didn't have any timeouts left. Dave Ridder was there if I hadn't got him.

"On the fumble at our 1, I know that hurts. I know how our offense felt when they fumbled when we were about to score at Oklahoma State. But I think the fourth-and-one when we held them was the bigger fumble. Holding them twice down there, that broke them."

Turner Gill, quarterback — He hit flustricken teammate Irving Fryar with two touchdown passes. "I guess this shows his character and how much this team really means to him." The 38-yard pass for the first Husker touchdown "was a play we put in new this week. We thought they'd blitz from the back side. They didn't, but Irving still got behind the safety."

Dean Steinkuhler, offensive guard — He buried defensive end Bobby Bell with a block that sprung Mike Rozier on his 60-yard touchdown run. "We had a similar play in the first quarter, but Bobby Bell put a move on me, and I had to leg whip him. Rozier ended up on my back. On the touchdown, he throttled it down so I could make the block. I got a better piece of Bell and he kind of crumbled.

"Rozier waits for his blocks. That's one of his biggest assets."

Season Stats

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Dunger 1		39-351	38-327						
	Fumbles-Fumbles lost	30-12	15-8	Graeber		6	6	12	2.21

Individual Rushing

1070	6			Gain
	0	1004	7.4	71
325	3	322	6.4	65
368	75	293	4.6	47
254	1	253	4.8	15
184	0	184	13.1	42
168	0	168	7.3	25
169	12	157	6.3	39
75	22	53	4.4	44
27	0	27	3.9	7
24	0	24	3.0	5
17	0	17	4.3	5
16	0	16	8.0	9
11	0	11	11.0	11
6	0	6	6.0	6
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Passing

	All.	Com.	Int.	Yds.	Pct.	TD
Gill	91	59	2	975	61.5	9
Sundberg	9	7	0	144	77.8	2
Mason	7	2	1	31	28.6	- 1
Rozier	1	0	1	0	0.0	0

Pass Receiving

	No.	Yds	Avg.	Lg	TD
Fryar	25	580	23.2	70	6
Kimball	9	139	15.4	42	0
Simmons	8	76	9.5	13	0
Rozier	7	59	8.4	23	0
J. Smith	4	77	19.3	51	1

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Linemen				
Bunger	1		t	
Graeber	6	6	12	2-2
Herrmann	8	3	11	3-16
Keeler	11	18	29	1-6
Praeuner	9	0	9	3-13
Reeves	0	2	2	
Reinhardt	2	0	2	1.2
Reynolds	4	0	4	
Ridder	12	13	26	4.3
Shead	7	4	11	
Skow	15	4	19	7-40
B. Smith	2	0	2	
Strasburger	9	15	24	4-13
Stuckey	14	14	28	5-19
Tranmer	11	13	24	2-8
Tucker	4	- 1	5	•
Tyrer	ı	1	2	1-4
Weber	11	6	17	1.6
Zierke	2	0	2	2.17
White	2		2	2-17
Linebackers				
Armstrong		2	2	•
Dafler	10	5	15	1.1
Daum	26	37	63	8-17
Forch	1	0	1	•
Gangwish	1	l	2	•
Holloway	6	2	8	•
Knox	30	41	71	6-23
McCoy	4	2	6	•
Proffitt	10	4	14	•
Wade	0	1	1	•
Backs				
Biggers	ı	0	1	-
Burke	16	12	28	1.1
Casterline	3	I	4	1.7
Clark	20	4	24	•
Fisher	5	3	8	•
Greene	5	1	6	•
Marris	19	10	29	•



Jeff Smith (28) tries to put a move on a Missouri defender as he makes another of his long kick returns. Smith had 13 yards on this punt return, and also returned a kickoff 15 yards in the game.

The Lineups

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NEBRASKA

DEFENSE

LT

87 Bill Weber, 6-2, 210, So. Dave Ridder, 6-1, 205, Sr.

- Mike Keeler, 6-4, 245, Sr. Doug Herrmann, 6-4, 275, Sr.
- Mike Tranmer, 5-11, 230, Sr.
- 52 Ken Graeber, 6-2, 250, Jr. RT
- Rob Stuckey, 6-3, 250, Jr. 75 Jim Skow. 6-3, 225, So.
- മ Scott Strasburger, 6-1, 205, Jr. 85 Wade Praeuner, 5-11, 200, Sr.
- SLB Mark Daum, 6-3, 235, Jr.
- Chad Daffer, 6-0, 215, So. 45
- MLB Mike Knox, 6-3, 235, Jr.
- Tony Holloway, 6-2, 200, 5o. IC.
- Meil Harris, 6-1, 195, Jr Rickey Greene, 5-9, 175, Jr. MON
- Mike McCashland, 6-1, 195, Jr. Dan Casterline, 5-10, 205, So.
- 10 Bret Clark, 6-2, 200, Jr. 29 Gary Schneider, 5-11, 185, So.
- RC Dave Surke, 5-10, 195, Jr.
- Todd l'Isher, 60, 190, So.

COLORADO OFFENSE

SE

- 5 Loy Alexander, 5-11, 173, So. 89 Hugo Nevarez, 5-11, 186, So. LT
- 77 Mike Sylvester, 6-3, 257, Sr.
- 74 Randy Hogbin, 6-3, 257, Sr. ĹĠ
- 63 Junior III, 6-1, 254, Jr. 75 Craig Beverty, 6-0, 245, Sr.
- Steve Heron, 6-2, 225, Sr. William Gulley, 6-1, 260, So.
- RG Shaun Beard, 6-0, 250, Jr.
- Derek Weisner, 6-5, 240, Sr. RT
- 70 John Firm, 6-1, 266, Sr. Pat Ryan, 6-3, 259, Fr.
- TE: Dave Hestera, 6-3, 242, Sr.
- 80 Jon Embree, 6-3, 204, Pr. QB
 - Steve Vogel, 6-4, 202, Jr. Derek Marshall, 6-2, 190, So. WR
- Ron Brown, 6-0, 182, So. Tony Armstrong, 5-8, 154, Jr.
- PR Lee Rouson, 6-2, 201, Jr.
- Guy Egging, 5-11, 210, Sr. 78 38 26
- Chris McLemore, 6-1, 211, 5o. Darryl Johnson, 5-5, 180, Jr.

NEBRASKA OFFENSE

Ricky Simmons, 5-10, 175, Sr.

- 17 Scott Kimball, 6-0, 185, Jr. 88
- LT John Sherlock, 6-1, 260, Sr.
- Mark Behning, 6-8, 290, Jr.
- LG
- Mark Traynowicz, 6-6, 260, Jr.
- Brad Muchling, 6-0, 220, Sr. RG
- Dean Steinhuhler, 6-3, 270, Sr. Brian Blankenship, 6-0, 260, So.
- RT Scott Raridon, 6-3, 280, Sr.
- 65 Tim Roth, 5-11, 260, So. TE
- Monte Engebritson, 6-1, 220, Sr. Todd Prain. 6-2, 215, So. QВ
- Tumer Gill, 6-Q. 190, Sr. Nate Mason, 6-0, 205, Sr. 18
- Mike Rozier, 5-11, 210, Sr. 28 Jeff Smith, 5-9, 190, Jr.
- FB Mark Schellen, 5-10, 225, Sr. 25 26 Tom Rathman, 6-0, 220, So.
- WB trving Pryar, 6-0, 200, Sr. Shane Swanson, 5-9, 195, Jr. 17
- PAT & PG Dave Schneider, 5-7, 175, So. Scott Livingston, 6-2, 200, Jr. 48
- Dan Wingard, 6-1, 200, 5o. Scott Livingston, 6-2, 200, Jr.

COLORADO DEFENSE

- 54 Sandy Armtrong, 6-1, 226, Sr. 81 Dave Alderson, 6-2, 221, Sr.
- Joe O Brian, 6-4, 230, Sr. QA Todd Ciccarelli. 6-4, 242, 5o.
- SILB Harry Grimminger, 6-3, 260, Jr. 55 Don Fairbanks, 6-3, 219, So. 53 Anthony Thomas, 6-2, 275, Jr. 39 Tlm Lancelot, 6-1, 217, So.
 - NG 91 Don Muncie, 6-2, 220, Jr. Chuck Hill, 6-0, 220, Fr.
 - WILB Terry Irvin. 6-1, 203, Sr.
 - Marty Cone, 5-11, 205, Sr. 45 RT Q6
 - George Smith, 6-3, 259, Jr. 92 Chuck Mikel, 6-2, 225, Sr. ROLB
 - Wayne Carroll, 6-3, 200, Jr. Dan McMillen, 6-4, 220, So. LC
 - Clyde Riggins, 5-10, 183, Sr. 29 Solomon Wilcots, 5-11, 170, 5o.
 - 55 Jeff Donaldson, 6-0, 214, So.
 - 37 Tony Rettig, 5-9, 190, Sr. WS
 - 7 Kent Davis, 6-2, 191, Jr. John Naim, 6-1, 170, Pr.
 - RC Victor Scott. 5-10. 192, Sr.
 - 20 Alvin Rubalcaba, 5-9, 175, Jr.
 - 34 Allan Braun, 6-2, 190, Jr.

PAT & PG 3 Tom Pield, 6-Q, 175, Sr.

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Nebraska 59, Colorado 7 *Huskers Illustrated*

Rick Huls Grand Island Independent

"Nebraska's overwhelming domination of Colorado may end sometime, but hardly in 1983. Although the Buffs are showing some improvement, winning in Lincoln isn't in the cards.

"The Husker offense should have a heydey, and the defense may produce a shutout. Nebraska 56, Colorado 3."

The Huskers Say...

"Colorado finished in a heap at the bottom of the Big Eight last year, 2-8-1 in Bill McCartney's first season. The Buffs haven't had a winning season since 1978, and they haven't beaten Nebraska in 22 years.

"They have lost three games in a row in a 2-4 season. Iowa State, a team that had earlier lost at home to non-power New Mexico State, inflicted the latest damage.

"It is bad enough that Colorado still carries the residue from a disastrous Chuck Fairbanks regime, but it must travel to Lincoln to meet up with a Cornhusker team looking foward to a home-cooking feast after a couple of lean but nourishing meals in Stillwater and Columbia.

"This will be one for the Huskers to fatten the stats. The Buffs have a few good men, notably tight end Dave Hestera, fullback Lee Rouson, cornerback Victor Scott and place kicker Tom Field. Quarterback Steve Vogel will put it up a bunch, if he can stay off his back, but it won't be anywhere near last year's 361-yard record-setter when the Buffs pushed Nebraska into the fourth quarter in Boulder.

"This one will be put away early, and, at the end, it will be, conservatively, Nebraska 59, Colorado 7."

Kevin Widlic Denver Post

"Saturday will be a fine day to see what kind of depth Nebraska really has. Although Colorado will run the ball fairly well at the start of the game, by the end of the first half, the Buffs will pull the ball out and go to the air.

"For Nebraska, the offense should have no trouble penetrating through Colorado's wafer-thin defensive lining. But that isn't anything new to either team. As always, the Cornhuskers' offense appears strong while CU's defense has gone from the Berlin Wall to wallpaper. Nebraska 49, Colorado 13."

Craig Harper Boulder, Colo., Camera

"Bill McCartney has made smarter moves than picking Nebraska as Colorado's major rival in the Big Eight Conference.

"Though the Buffs gave the Cornhuskers a brief scare last year, by pulling to within 20-14 after three quarters before blowing 40-14, don't expect a repeat performance this time.

"Since CU fared badly against two physically overpowering teams - Notre Dame and Missouri - imagine what Nebraska can do. The only way the Huskers can fail to rack up loads of yards and touchdowns against the Buffs, is if they stop themselves with turnovers as they did against Oklahoma State.

"Colorado is beginning to feel the pinch of a severe lack of depth, and it's once-potent offense (69 points against Colorado State and Oregon State), has been brought back to reality by quality opponents.

"The Buffs likely must rely on a passing game and somehow try to force the Huskers to pass against their fine secondary if they are to have a chance of making it respectable.

"They won't."

"Nebraska 63, Colorado 14."

Randy Holtz Rocky Mountain News, Denver

"Colorado's defensive line is banged up, and even when it's not banged up, it's small and slow. This, of course, is a serious, serious problem when you're playing a team with the offensive strength of Nebraska.

"Nebraska, like Notre Dame and Missouri, will move the ball on the ground at will on the out-manned, outsized, outclassed Buffs. This one won't be pretty. Nebraska 49, Colorado 7.''

Virgil Parker Lincoln Journal and Star

"The combined scores of the last five Nebraska-Colorado games favor the Huskers, 234-45. Second-year Colorado Coach Bill Mc-Cartney has made some strides in bringing the Buffs back to respectability, but his team is a long way from being in the same class as Nebraska.

"The average for the past five years has been Nebraska 47, Colorado 9. I don't know how the Buffs are going to get nine, but that sounds like a reasonable pick to me."

Gary Saddlemeier KFAB Radio, Omaha

"The main thrust of the speculation surrounding Nebraska is if the offense takes care of the football and avoids penalties, it can score almost at will. And I agree with that. An obvious exception was the first half of the Oklahoma State game.

"Tom Osborne is the master of the offensive adjustment - when there's a problem, he seems to know how to correct the problem.

"Colorado is apparently a little bit better than they have been in the past few years, but they must have some serious doubts in the back of their minds whether they can beat Nebraska.

"Almost everybody the Huskers play sounds real confident before the game, but that's almost an obligatory stance you take before you play anybody. But I don't believe that they deep down really believe they can beat Nebraska.

"I really believe that we're looking at another blowout here unless Nebraska fumbles from kickoff to the end of the game."

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